

ABSTRACT

5 Startup/driving authorization system for a vehicle in which a  
control unit in the vehicle uses an interrogation/response  
dialog with a portable transponder to check and approve or  
deny authorization to start up and drive the vehicle by  
exchanging identification codes. This authorization includes  
semiautomatic or fully automatic startup of the vehicle  
10 engine, provided that such authorization is made dependent on  
additional preset switching and/or operating states of  
monitored vehicle components.